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TO ALL MEMBERS

Dear Comrades,

The Political Committee voted to schedule this year's national gathering in Ohio for August 7-14.

Discussions with branch organizers pointed to two considerations in scheduling the dates. On the one hand, scheduling the conference late in August allows comrades who have summer jobs to keep those jobs longer. Often comrades with summer jobs are unable to find jobs after the national gathering and are affected financially. On the other hand, holding the conference late in August gives branches less time to prepare for the fall work following the conference. Last year several campuses and city high schools opened early so that some student and teacher comrades had to leave the conference early.

After discussion, it appears that it would be more convenient for branches and comrades to schedule the national gathering earlier.

Comradely,

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